

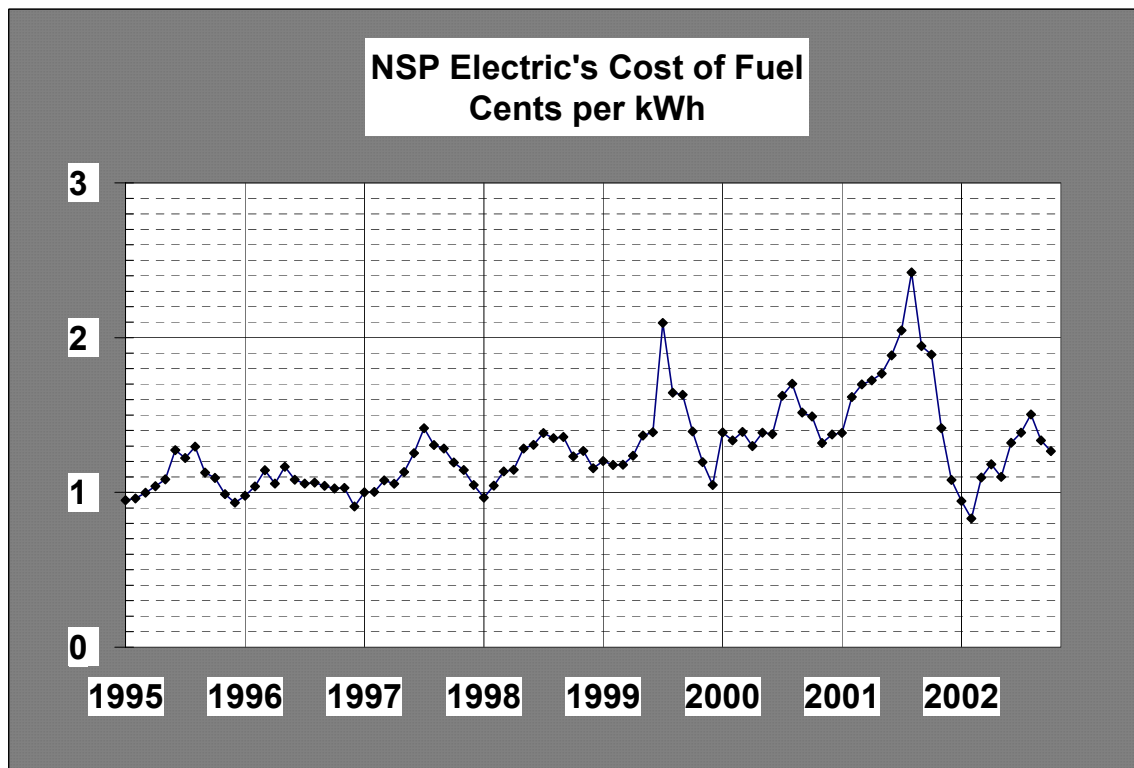
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**Northern States Power Company
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NSP has requested to decrease its electric fuel cost adjustment by .069 cents per kWh from the current authorized adjustment of .244 cents per kWh. The resulting fuel cost adjustment for December will be .175 cents per kWh.

As a result of this change, the electric bill for a NSP residential customer consuming 750 kWh will decrease 52 cents for bills rendered in the month of December.



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I move the Commission approve Northern States Power Company's fuel cost adjustment for December 2002, Case No. PU-400-02-616.

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